

IC 36-6-5

Chapter 5. Township Assessor

IC 36-6-5-1

Certain townships; election of assessor; residence; term of office

Sec. 1. (a) A township assessor shall be elected under IC 3-10-2-13 by the voters of each township having:

- (1) a population of more than eight thousand (8,000); or
- (2) an elected township assessor or the authority to elect a township assessor before January 1, 1979.

(b) A township assessor shall be elected under IC 3-10-2-14 in each township having a population of more than five thousand (5,000) but not more than eight thousand (8,000), if the legislative body of the township:

- (1) by resolution, declares that the office of township assessor is necessary; and
- (2) the resolution is filed with the county election board not later than the first date that a declaration of candidacy may be filed under IC 3-8-2.

(c) A township government that is created by merger under IC 36-6-1.5 shall elect only one (1) township assessor under this section.

(d) The township assessor must reside within the township as provided in Article 6, Section 6 of the Constitution of the State of Indiana. The assessor forfeits office if the assessor ceases to be a resident of the township.

(e) The term of office of a township assessor is four (4) years, beginning January 1 after election and continuing until a successor is elected and qualified. However, the term of office of a township assessor elected at a general election in which no other township officer is elected ends on December 31 after the next election in which any other township officer is elected.

As added by Acts 1980, P.L.212, SEC.5. Amended by Acts 1982, P.L.1, SEC.59; P.L.14-1983, SEC.5; P.L.5-1986, SEC.58; P.L.3-1987, SEC.564; P.L.3-1997, SEC.470; P.L.1-2004, SEC.63 and P.L.23-2004, SEC.65; P.L.88-2005, SEC.17; P.L.240-2005, SEC.5.

IC 36-6-5-2

Townships having no assessor; executive to serve; bond

Sec. 2. (a) This section applies to townships that do not have an elected or appointed and qualified township assessor.

(b) The township executive shall perform all the duties and has all the rights and powers of assessor. If a township qualifies under IC 36-6-5-1 to elect a township assessor, the executive shall continue to serve as assessor until an assessor is appointed or elected and qualified.

(c) The bond filed by the executive in his capacity as executive also covers his duties as assessor.

As added by Acts 1980, P.L.212, SEC.5. Amended by Acts 1982,

P.L.1, SEC.60; P.L.14-1983, SEC.6.

IC 36-6-5-3

Statutory duties

Sec. 3. The assessor shall perform the duties prescribed by statute, including:

- (1) assessment duties prescribed by IC 6-1.1; and
- (2) administration of the dog tax and dog fund, as prescribed by IC 15-5-9.

As added by Acts 1980, P.L.212, SEC.5.